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INPUT SOUGHT ON PROPOSED WAIVER TO ALLOW CARRYOVER FUNDS TO BE SPENT ON SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT IN LOW-PERFORMING SCHOOLS

(Frankfort, Ky.) – The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) is seeking public comment on its request for a waiver (called a Tydings waiver) to use carryover federal funds rather than returning them to the federal government.

According to 34. C.F.R. 76.709, KDE must return to the federal government any federal grant monies not obligated by the end of the grant carryover period. KDE has approximately \$3,494,758 carried over from Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 School Improvement 1003(a) funding and will be requesting a waiver period of two additional years to obligate the funds.

If the waiver is granted, the School Improvement 1003(a) funds will be used to support the work of District 180 to provide the necessary supports to Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) Schools and Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) Schools facilitated in Kentucky by KDE staff. The intent is to build leadership capacity, build sustainable improvement systems, and increase student achievement.

A [description of the proposed waiver](#) is available on the Kentucky Department of Education website.

Any individual or organization may submit written comments on the proposed waiver through the close of business on May 15.

Send written comments on the proposed waiver to Kelly Foster, Kentucky Department of Education, 300 Sower Boulevard, Fifth Floor, Sower Building, Frankfort, KY 40601 or [email her at kelly.foster@education.ky.gov](mailto:kelly.foster@education.ky.gov).

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